

Serial No. 09/648,780

**REMARKS**

In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. §112 as indefinite. The Examiner has stated that it was not clear in claim 1 what the optical component is that changes the wavelength of the laser. Applicant has inserted terminology in claim 1 to make the understanding of the optical component more definite. In addition, it is now recited that the incident angle is changed in accordance with the change in the orientation angle of the optical component thereby curing that indefiniteness.

Further in claim 2, the optical component is simply defined as a reflector-type wavelength selecting element, thereby correcting the indefiniteness noted therein.

Applicant hereby requests reconsideration and re-examination thereof.

With the above amendments and the remarks, this application is considered ready for allowance, and Applicants earnestly solicit an early notice of same. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, he is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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